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Mr. Dan Washington Bureau of Land Management Bear River Resource Area 2370 South 2300 West Salt Lake City, UT 84119

Notice of Intention to Commence Mining Activities, Grouse Creek Mountain Operations, Re: M/003/031, Box Elder County, Utah

Dear Mr. Washington:

Thank you for forwarding William and Preston Bown's Notice to Conduct Mining Operations, received by the Division February 17, 1995, concerning Utah Building Stone Supply's proposed Grouse Creek Mountain mining project located in Sections 34 & 35, T13N, R17W, and Sections 1, 3, 10, & 11, T12N R17W, SLBM, Box Elder County, Utah. Your agency's designated file number is U-72296. The notice does not satisfy the notice requirements of Rule R647-003 of the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975, Title 40-8, et seq., Utah Code Annotated.

The following information is still required:

Since it has been identified that in excess of of five acres (11.6 acres of existing and proposed new disturbance), the Division will require this operation to be permitted as a Large Mining Operation (LMO). This will require a plan of operations and a detailed reclamation plan and posting of a reclamation bond.

In your letter, you indicated that the Bown's would like to have a meeting with the BLM to discuss their operations and that BLM personnel will need to conduct a field inspection of the operation. The Division would like to participate in these meetings and inspections. Please keep us informed as to when and where they are scheduled.

We will suspend our review and await the amended Notice of Intention and operation plan. In reply, please reference our file number M/003/031. Please call if you have any questions. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Lvnn Kunzler

Reclamation Specialist

cc: William Bown, Operator Minerals File

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